

Mr. SMOOT. It has been read once.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The question is on agreeing to the amendment of the committee.

The amendment was agreed to.

Mr. SMOOT. Page 105 is the next.

The SECRETARY. On page 105, section 335 was passed over. In line 7, after the words "sum of" and the colon, the committee proposes to strike out the remainder of the paragraph, all down to and including the word "income," in line 16, and to insert—

Mr. SMOOT. That has been read.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. It has already been read. The question is on agreeing to the amendment of the committee. The amendment was agreed to.

The SECRETARY. On page 107, at the foot of the page, Title IV—Estate tax—

Mr. SIMMONS. I am advised, although I have not had time to verify it, that the sections relating to the deduction of taxes for 1919 and 1920 have now been acted on.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Everything has been disposed of down to "Estate tax," on page 107.

Mr. SIMMONS. Mr. President, I am exceedingly anxious, and I think everyone else is, to have the bill finally put upon its passage on Monday. In order to do that, it will be necessary for us to meet very early on Monday, and we may have to hold a night session.

I move that the Senate take a recess until 10 o'clock on Monday.

The motion was agreed to; and (at 5 o'clock and 10 minutes p. m.) the Senate took a recess until Monday, December 23, 1918, at 10 o'clock a. m.

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

SATURDAY, December 21, 1918.

The House met at 12 o'clock noon.

The Rev. Earle Willey, of the Vermont Avenue Christian Church, Washington, D. C., offered the following prayer:

Heavenly Father, we ask Thee to accept our thanksgiving for what of gladness may fill our hearts this morning. We thank Thee for the approach to the holiday season, and as we come to this time of the year when we are thinking of those dear to us may we also think in kindness and love of all the suffering and needy ones of earth. O Lord, temper our thinking, our speaking, and our doing with the spirit of this holiday season. God, grant Thy blessing, therefore, upon to-day's doings, upon those things that enter into our lives, and upon us as we strive to do Thy will. For Thy Name's sake. Amen.

The Journal of the proceedings of Thursday, December 19, 1918, was read and approved.

### RIVER AND HARBOR APPROPRIATION BILL.

Mr. SMALL. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rivers and Harbors I report herewith the river and harbor appropriation bill, with the report (No. 878) of the committee. I understand that the gentleman from Wisconsin [Mr. FREAR] desires to file a minority report. Is he present?

Mr. FREAR. That is correct.

Mr. SMALL. The gentleman has that report now?

Mr. FREAR. Yes.

Mr. SMALL. And that the minority report of the gentleman from Wisconsin be also filed.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from North Carolina [Mr. SMALL], by direction of the Committee on Rivers and Harbors, files the river and harbor appropriation bill, together with the report of the majority and the minority report filed by the gentleman from Wisconsin [Mr. FREAR].

Mr. ROBBINS. Mr. Speaker, I reserve all points of order on the bill.

Mr. FREAR. Mr. Speaker, I reserve all points of order on the bill.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Wisconsin and the gentleman from Pennsylvania reserve all points of order on the bill.

Mr. MANN. Has the bill been reported?

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will report the bill by title.

The Clerk read as follows:

H. R. 13462. A bill making appropriations for the construction, repair, and preservation of certain public works on rivers and harbors, and for other purposes.

The SPEAKER. The bill, with the accompanying report, is ordered printed and referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

### ORDER OF BUSINESS.

Mr. LONGWORTH. Mr. Speaker, may I ask the gentleman what his intention is with regard to the consideration of the river and harbor appropriation bill?

Mr. SMALL. It is the present intention to call up the bill on Monday. There may be some short bills which by agreement may precede the consideration of the river and harbor appropriation bill.

Mr. LONGWORTH. But the gentleman does not intend to proceed any further than general debate until after the holiday recess?

Mr. SMALL. Can the gentleman tell whether we will be in session on Tuesday or not?

Mr. LONGWORTH. I think the gentleman from North Carolina [Mr. KITCHIN] may be able to give us some information about that.

Mr. KITCHIN. Mr. Speaker, I have stated to the House twice that our intention is to work on Monday and Tuesday, and when we adjourn on Tuesday to adjourn over until Friday, with the understanding that we will adjourn from Friday until the following Monday; that nothing will be done from Tuesday until Monday.

Mr. LONGWORTH. The purpose of my question is to ascertain whether it is expected there will be a vote on the river and harbor bill on Tuesday.

Mr. KITCHIN. Oh, no. I do not think it possible to conclude more than general debate for the recess.

Mr. FREAR. Mr. Speaker, I do not think there will be any objection to the general debate, but it seems to me we ought not to read the items and attempt to discuss them unless a reasonably full House is present.

The SPEAKER. The Chair understood the gentleman from North Carolina [Mr. SMALL] to include in his statement the request for printing the minority report of the gentleman from Wisconsin [Mr. FREAR].

Mr. SMALL. That is correct.

Mr. MANN. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman from North Carolina yield?

Mr. KITCHIN. Yes.

Mr. MANN. Does the gentleman think there is any probability of proceeding with business in the House before New Year's Day?

Mr. KITCHIN. I doubt very much whether we will have a sufficient number here to proceed very seriously, but that will take care of itself when we adjourn next week.

Mr. MANN. The question is really whether we shall punish some of the Members who may stay here for the reason that they want to be here if business is to be transacted, so that they will not go home, and then when the time comes not be able to transact any business because no one will be here.

Mr. KITCHIN. If it is satisfactory to the House, we shall have an understanding now, that when we adjourn from Tuesday, say, we will adjourn until Friday, and from Friday to Monday, and that on Monday we can then adjourn until Thursday.

Mr. MANN. I think that will be the wisest course, because my judgment, based on observation of the past, would be that the House would not be prepared to consider the river and harbor bill by items on Monday, preceding New Year's Day, or in the holiday week, unless we proceed all of next week; but having vacation for practically six days, a great many Members will go away. I doubt whether it is desirable to punish those who do come back by getting them to come back, when it is certain that we will not do anything.

Mr. KITCHIN. Of course, there is no desire to punish anyone, but in the arrangement some one might be punished. Whatever is done will have to be done by unanimous consent.

Mr. MANN. Oh, no; it could be done by announcement. When the gentleman from North Carolina makes an announcement, that would settle the matter.

Mr. KITCHIN. Then I will make this announcement.

Mr. GREEN of Iowa. Before the gentleman makes the announcement, will he yield for another suggestion?

Mr. KITCHIN. Yes.

Mr. GREEN of Iowa. Was there not some report from the Committee on Elections that was to come up?

Mr. KITCHIN. That is on January 3. I make this announcement, that I shall ask unanimous consent on Tuesday that when we adjourn we adjourn over until the following Friday, with the understanding that nothing will be done on Friday except to go over until the following Monday, and then on Monday I shall ask unanimous consent to go until the following Thursday.

Mr. SLAYDEN. That takes you until what date?

Mr. KITCHIN. Thursday, because there is already one matter set for January 3, an election contest.

Mr. MOORE of Pennsylvania. Is the gentleman from North Carolina satisfied that we will have a quorum here on Tuesday to take up the river and harbor bill?

Mr. KITCHIN. I just want to say with respect to the river and harbor bill, we will have general debate on Monday, and if the chairman of the committee would prefer that on Tuesday we do not take up the bill but adjourn from Monday after general debate, instead of on Tuesday, until Thursday, and then until Monday and until Thursday, we would be able to do that.

Mr. TOWNER. With the understanding that on Thursday as on Monday there will be no business transacted.

Mr. FOSTER. No; I do not agree to that.

Mr. TOWNER. The statement was made by the Speaker a short time ago.

Mr. FOSTER. The gentleman means the day after Christmas?

Mr. TOWNER. Yes.

Mr. FOSTER. That is all right.

Mr. KITCHIN. The only thing I can say is that I will ask unanimous consent on those days to adjourn over.

Mr. MANN. I think it is perfectly safe to say that probably there will be no quorum here and the House will be protected in the absence of a quorum if any person should object to adjourning over. I am not going home.

Mr. HAWLEY. If the gentleman will yield, the statement the gentleman has already made indicated that there will be a gentleman's agreement for an adjournment of three days at a time until Thursday, January 2?

Mr. KITCHIN. Yes. It is a question of adjourning Monday or Tuesday, and I would ask the gentleman from North Carolina [Mr. SMALL] as to his committee's desire to go on on Tuesday?

Mr. SMALL. Mr. Speaker, it is the desire of the committee, if possible, to conclude general debate before the Christmas recess. On this side there are requests for time which in the aggregate only amount to about an hour. I have not conferred with Mr. KENNEDY, the ranking minority member of the committee; he does not seem to be in the Hall, but it is the desire to conclude general debate.

Mr. MANN. I think there will be no trouble in concluding general debate on Monday or Tuesday with the understanding we are not to proceed with the reading of the bill under the five-minute rule before the holidays.

Mr. SMALL. Not until Thursday, January 2; that is satisfactory.

Mr. KITCHIN. We will adjourn over when we finish general debate—

Mr. MANN. Monday or Tuesday.

Mr. KITCHIN. When we finish general debate, whether it is Monday or Tuesday, I shall ask unanimous consent to adjourn over three days at a time until after January 2, with the understanding that nothing will be done except the reading of the Journal and a motion made to adjourn.

Mr. MANN. Why not, if it is possible to make an agreement, ask for it now?

Mr. KITCHIN. The only thing I could do under existing circumstances is to make this request, and I think the House will give unanimous consent.

Mr. McKENZIE. Will the gentleman from North Carolina yield for a question?

Mr. KITCHIN. I will.

Mr. McKENZIE. I simply wanted to inquire of the gentleman from North Carolina about a bill known as the contract bill, reported from the Committee on Military Affairs, which I understand is to come up on Monday—

Mr. KITCHIN. On Monday morning.

Mr. DUPRÉ. And will have precedence over the river and harbor bill.

Mr. McKENZIE. That is very important.

Mr. KITCHIN. The River and Harbor Committee will yield, I understand, to the gentleman from Alabama, chairman of the Committee on Military Affairs, to ask unanimous consent to consider that bill.

Mr. MANN. It can only come up by unanimous consent.

Mr. KITCHIN. Yes; and it will also yield to the gentleman from Virginia [Mr. MONTAGUE] to ask unanimous consent to consider his charter bill.

Mr. MOORE of Pennsylvania. Will the gentleman yield?

Mr. KITCHIN. I will.

Mr. MOORE of Pennsylvania. I would like to know whether the gentleman means we shall quit after general debate on the river and harbor bill, without commencing the reading of the bill?

Mr. KITCHIN. Yes.

Mr. MOORE of Pennsylvania. I am frank to say that there ought to be a quorum here if we are to begin the reading of the bill on Tuesday, but I understand from the gentleman there is to be nothing but general debate?

Mr. KITCHIN. That is all.

Mr. FESS. Will the gentleman yield?

Mr. KITCHIN. I will.

Mr. FESS. Could not we arrange this discontinuance on Monday, as there are some of us who would like to be home on Christmas eve?

Mr. KITCHIN. There will not be anything but general debate. We have agreed to that, on the river and harbor bill. After the general debate is concluded, I shall ask unanimous consent to adjourn over.

Mr. FESS. Those of us who desire to go home would like to be home on Tuesday evening.

Mr. KITCHIN. I think the gentleman would be perfectly safe in going home Monday night.

#### LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to Mr. GRAHAM of Illinois, indefinitely, on account of important business.

#### EULOGIES ON SENATOR GALLINGER.

Mr. BURROUGHS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that Sunday, January 19, 1919, be set aside for addresses on the life, character, and public services of Hon. JACOB H. GALLINGER, late United States Senator from the State of New Hampshire.

Mr. PARKER of New Jersey. Mr. Speaker, eulogies on Mr. STERLING of Illinois have been set for that day.

The SPEAKER. There are so many they will have to be doubled up if we are going to have them on Sunday.

Mr. KITCHIN. I did not understand the request of the gentleman from New Hampshire.

Mr. BURROUGHS. I asked unanimous consent for the making of addresses on Senator GALLINGER's life and public services for the 19th of January.

Mr. KITCHIN. There is no objection to that.

Mr. BURROUGHS. I understand now the gentleman from New Jersey says that that date has been set aside for another purpose. I will therefore modify the request and make it January 26.

The SPEAKER. There is one set aside for that date—Senator BROUSSARD.

Mr. MANN. It does not make any difference.

The SPEAKER. The Chair stated a moment ago there are so many eulogies we will have to double up and have two at a time.

Mr. BURROUGHS. Then, I will renew my request for the 19th, as originally stated.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from New Hampshire asks unanimous consent that Sunday, January 19, be set apart for memorializing Senator GALLINGER at the same time the gentleman from Illinois [Mr. STERLING] is memorialized. Is there objection? [After a pause.] The Chair hears none.

Mr. KITCHIN. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

#### EXTENSION OF REMARKS.

Mr. STEENERSON. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to extend my remarks in the RECORD on the subject of the postal telegraph.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Minnesota asks unanimous consent to extend his remarks in the RECORD on the question of the postal telegraph. Is there objection?

Mr. KITCHIN. Reserving the right to object, I hope the gentleman will withdraw that and wait until Monday, because several gentlemen have asked for the same thing, and I have asked them to wait until that time.

Mr. STEENERSON. All right.

#### ADJOURNMENT.

The SPEAKER. The question is on the motion of the gentleman from North Carolina [Mr. KITCHIN] that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 12 o'clock and 21 minutes p. m.) the House adjourned until Monday, December 23, 1918, at 12 o'clock noon.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of Rule XXIV, a letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting items to be included in the sundry civil bill for the fiscal year 1920 (H. Doc. No. 1610), was taken from the Speaker's table, referred to the Committee on Appropriations, and ordered to be printed.



## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Under clause 2 of Rule XIII,

Mr. GRIFFIN, from the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds, to which was referred the bill (H. R. 13026) to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to provide hospital and sanitarium facilities for discharged sick and disabled soldiers and sailors, reported the same with amendment, accompanied by a report (No. 879), which said bill and report were referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

## PUBLIC BILLS, RESOLUTIONS, AND MEMORIALS.

Under clause 3 of Rule XXII, bills, resolutions, and memorials were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. SMALL: A bill (H. R. 13462) making appropriations for the construction, repair, and preservation of certain public works on rivers and harbors, and for other purposes; to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

By Mr. CRAMTON: A bill (H. R. 13463) to amend section 3 of public act No. 106 of the Sixty-fifth Congress, entitled "An act to save daylight and to provide standard time for the United States," approved March 19, 1918; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

By Mr. DENT (by request): A bill (H. R. 13464) to amend the medals of honor, distinguished-service crosses, and distinguished-service medals provisions of the Army appropriation act, approved July 9, 1918; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Also, a bill (H. R. 13465) to create in the Army of the United States a corps to be known as the Corps of Chaplains; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. BANKHEAD: A bill (H. R. 13466) making certain items of appropriation contained in section 8 of the vocational rehabilitation act, approved June 27, 1918, available for additional purposes and construing the term "family allowance," as contained in section 2 thereof; to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. DENT (by request): A bill (H. R. 13467) fixing the rank, pay, and allowances of chaplains in the Army; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. WHITE of Ohio: A bill (H. R. 13468) to provide an extension to the post office at Zanesville, Ohio; to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

By Mr. CRAMTON: A bill (H. R. 13469) to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to issue patent in fee simple to the county of Huron, in the State of Michigan, for a certain described tract of land for public park purposes; to the Committee on the Public Lands.

## PRIVATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Under clause 1 of Rule XXII, private bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. BURROUGHS: A bill (H. R. 13470) for the relief of John Chick; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. CARAWAY: A bill (H. R. 13471) granting a pension to Thomas W. Breckenridge; to the Committee on Pensions.

By Mr. COX: A bill (H. R. 13472) granting a pension to Luther Sloan; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 13473) granting an increase of pension to Jacob Eberts; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

Also, a bill (H. R. 13474) granting a pension to Ella May Sloan; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. DENTON: A bill (H. R. 13475) granting a pension to Greenup T. Berlin; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. LINTHICUM: A bill (H. R. 13476) granting a pension to George Polletti; to the Committee on Pensions.

By Mr. MONTAGUE: A bill (H. R. 13477) granting an increase of pension to Young W. Cordell; to the Committee on Pensions.

By Mr. ROUSE: A bill (H. R. 13478) granting an increase of pension to William Boone; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. WHITE of Ohio: A bill (H. R. 13479) granting a pension to Rhoda E. Pryor; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

## PETITIONS, ETC.

Under clause 1 of Rule XXII, petitions and papers were laid on the Clerk's desk and referred as follows:

By Mr. CURRIE of Michigan: Petition of R. A. Elias, William E. Strong, Nelson Dow Griswold, Herbert S. Beckwith, Ronald P. Lowry, and W. A. Robinson, jr., amateur wireless operators, protesting against House bill 13159, which provides

for the taking over of all radio stations; to the Committee on the Merchant Marine and Fisheries.

By Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island: Resolution of board of aldermen of the city of Newport, R. I., protesting abandonment of work on housing proposition at Newport, R. I.; to the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

By Mr. LINTHICUM: Resolution of the Baptist Ministers' Conference of Baltimore and vicinity, urging a league of nations; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. RAKER: Brief of Dr. Wilson Compton, relative to the definition of "Invested capital" as applying to the pending revenue bill; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Also, petition of California White and Sugar Pine Manufacturers' Association, relative to capital, surplus, and undivided profits in the revenue bill; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. SMITH of Michigan: Petition of H. A. Stafford, president of the Brotherhood Railway Clerks, Lodge No. 338, Kalamazoo, Mich., favoring the retention of William G. McAdoo for Railroad Director; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

By Mr. VARE: Petition of residents of Philadelphia, protesting against the enactment of legislation restricting the use of wireless apparatus; to the Committee on the Merchant Marine and Fisheries.

Also, memorial of Philadelphia Maritime Exchange, indorsing resolutions adopted by the Atlantic Deeper Waterways Association; to the Committee on Rivers and Harbors.

Also, resolutions of Pennsylvania Branch of Women's Peace Party of Philadelphia, discussing terms of peace; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

Also, petition of Logan Iron & Steel Co., Philadelphia, protesting against the enactment of legislation looking to the adoption of the metric system; to the Committee on Coinage, Weights, and Measures.

## SENATE.

Monday, December 23, 1918.

(Legislative day of Sunday, December 15, 1918.)

The Senate met at 10 o'clock a. m., on the expiration of the recess.

The VICE PRESIDENT resumed the chair.

Mr. WARREN. Mr. President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The VICE PRESIDENT. The Secretary will call the roll.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following Senators answered to their names:

Ashurst	Johnson, S. Dak.	Penrose	Spencer
Chamberlain	Jones, Wash.	Pollock	Sterling
Cummins	Kenyon	Saulsbury	Thomas
Dillingham	Knox	Shafer	Vardaman
Gerry	Lenroot	Sheppard	Warren
Gronna	Martin, Va.	Simmons	Williams
Hale	Nugent	Smith, Ariz.	
Henderson	Overman	Smith, Ga.	
Johnson, Cal.	Page	Smoot	

Mr. SAULSBURY. I desire to announce that the senior Senator from Maryland [Mr. SMITH] is necessarily absent temporarily on very important business.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Thirty-three Senators have answered to the roll call. There is not a quorum present. The Secretary will call the roll of absentees.

The Secretary called the names of the absent Senators, and Mr. HITCHCOCK, Mr. McCUMBER, Mr. McNARY, Mr. NELSON, Mr. POINDEXTER, Mr. TRAMMELL, and Mr. WEEKS answered to their names when called.

Mr. KELLOGG, Mr. NEW, Mr. NORRIS, Mr. FRANCE, Mr. CURTIS, Mr. CULBERSON, Mr. KIRBY, Mr. UNDERWOOD, Mr. TOWNSEND, Mr. McKELLAR, Mr. KING, Mr. WATSON, Mr. LA FOLLETTE, Mr. SUTHERLAND, Mr. HARDING, and Mr. POMERENE entered the Chamber and answered to their names.

Mr. McKELLAR. I wish to announce that the senior Senator from Tennessee [Mr. SHIELDS] is absent on account of illness.

Mr. SUTHERLAND. My colleague, the senior Senator from West Virginia [Mr. GOFF], is detained by illness.

Mr. GERRY. I desire to announce that the Senator from Kentucky [Mr. BECKHAM], the Senator from California [Mr. PHELAN], the Senator from Nevada [Mr. PITTMAN], and the Senator from Wyoming [Mr. KENDRICK] are detained on official business.

Mr. CURTIS. I wish to announce that the Senator from Illinois [Mr. SHERMAN] is detained at home by illness.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Fifty-seven Senators have answered to the roll call. There is a quorum present.